Materials for
Staff Presentation to the
Federal Open Market Committee

February 11, 1986

Principal Assumptions

Monetary Policy

- Growth of M1 near 7 percent in 1986 and around 6 percent in 1987.
- Growth of M2 in the range of 7 to 8 percent in 1986 and 1987.

Fiscal Policy

■ Deficit-reducing actions of about \$15 billion for FY 1986 budget and an additional \$30 billion for FY 1987 budget.

Foreign Exchange Value of the Dollar

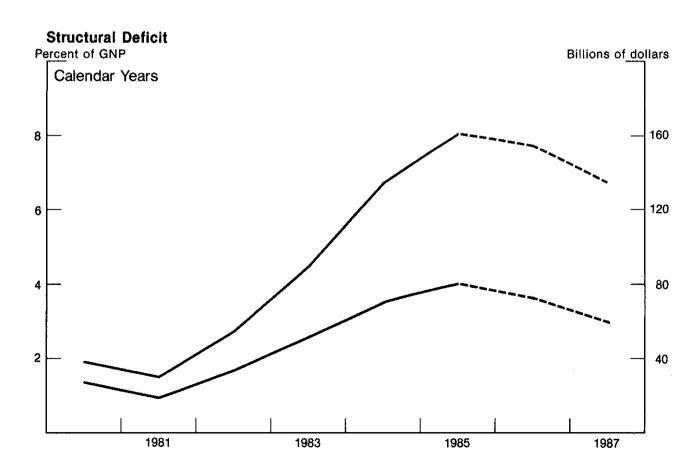
■ Moderate further decline over the course of the projection.

Oil Prices

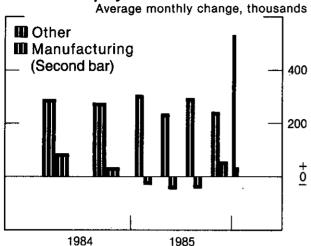
 Oil import prices average around \$20 per barrel in 1986 and 1987.

Federal Budget, Fiscal Years

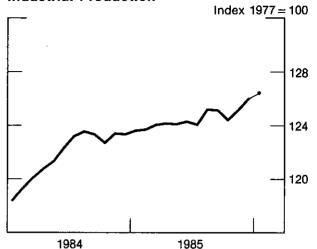
	1985 Actual	1986 Staff Administration		1987 Staff Administration		
Outlays	946	978	980	1,001	994	
Receipts	734	777	777	834	850	
Deficit	212	201	203	167	144	



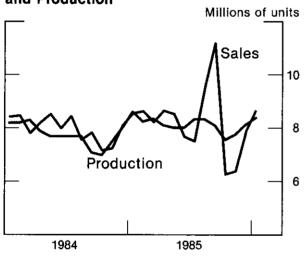




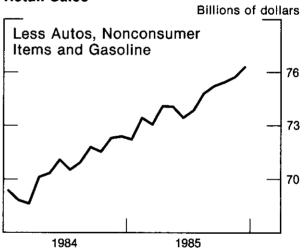
Industrial Production



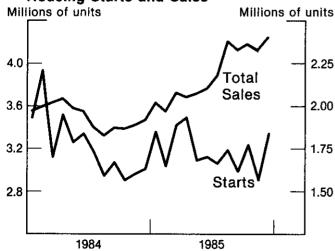
Domestic Auto Sales and Production



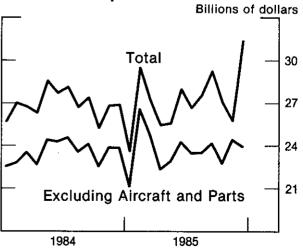
Retail Sales

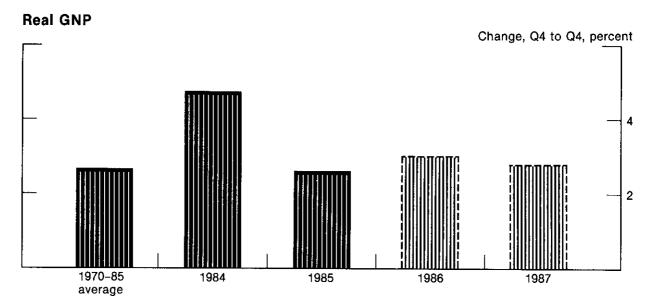


Housing Starts and Sales

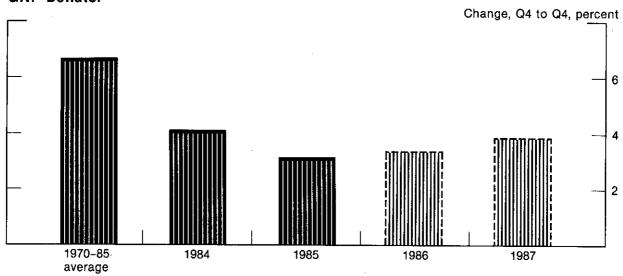


New Orders for Nondefense Capital Goods

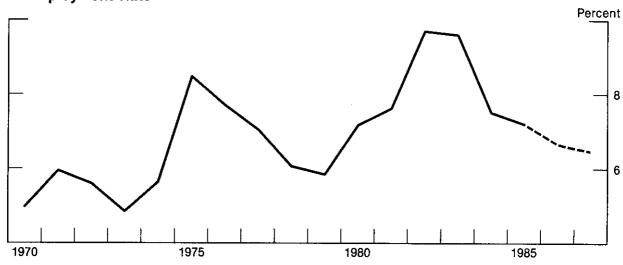




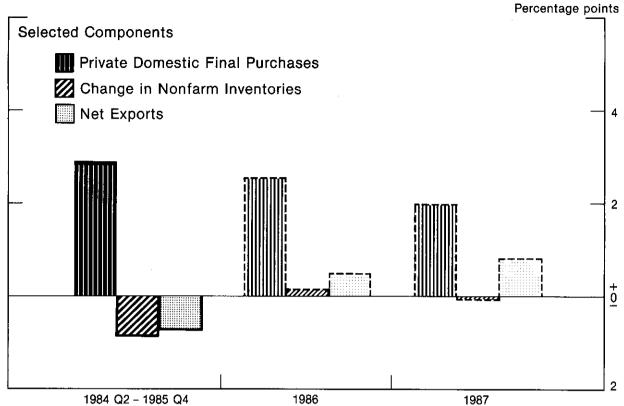
GNP Deflator

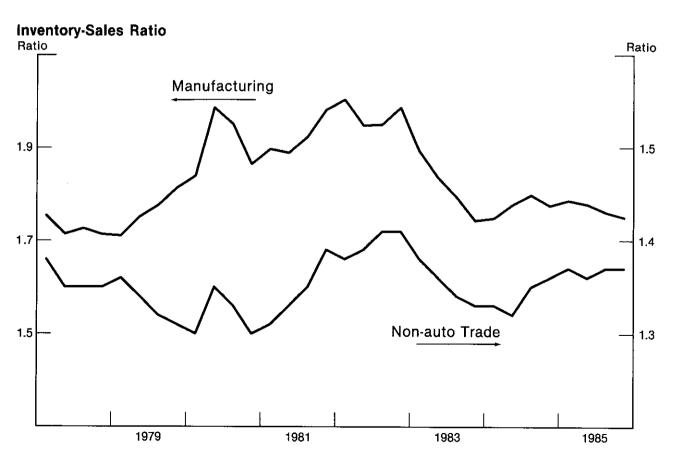


Unemployment Rate

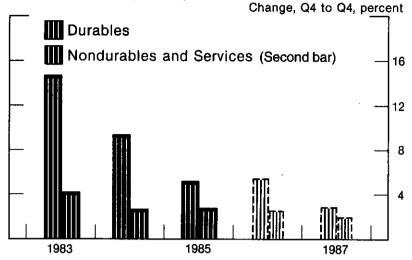


Contributions to Real GNP Growth



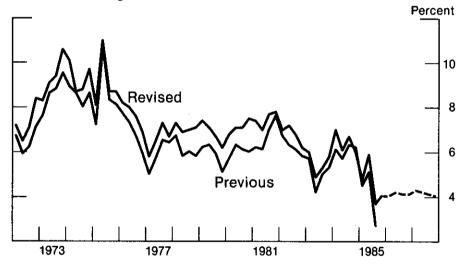


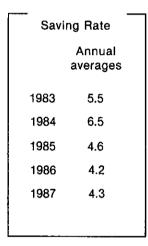
Real Consumer Spending



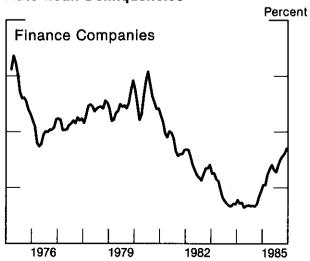
Change, Q4 to Q4, percent					
	Real PCE	Real DPI			
1983	5.3	5.1			
1984	3.4	3.9			
1985	2.9	1.3			
1986	2.8	3.0			
1987	2.0	1.9			

Personal Saving Rate

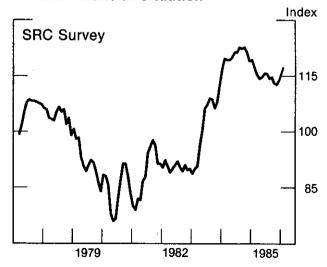




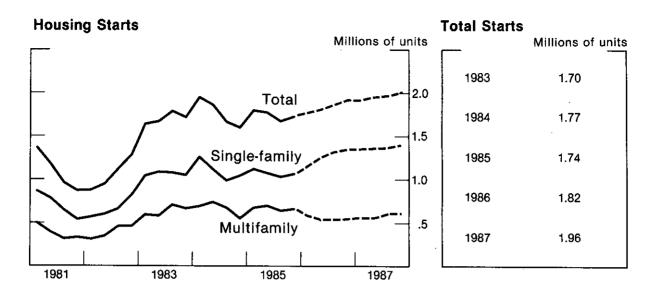
Auto Loan Delinquencies



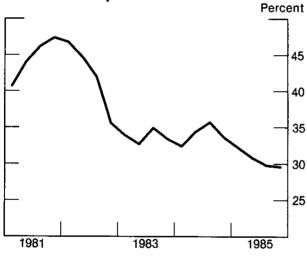
Current Financial Situation*



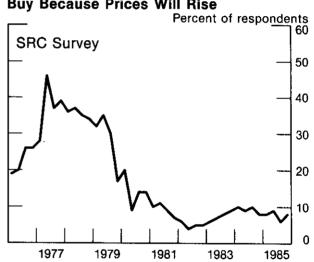
^{*}Compared to a year ago. Better minus worse plus 100.



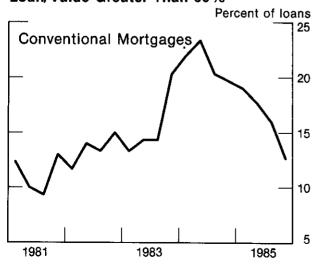




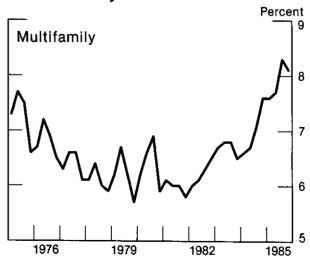
Buy Because Prices Will Rise

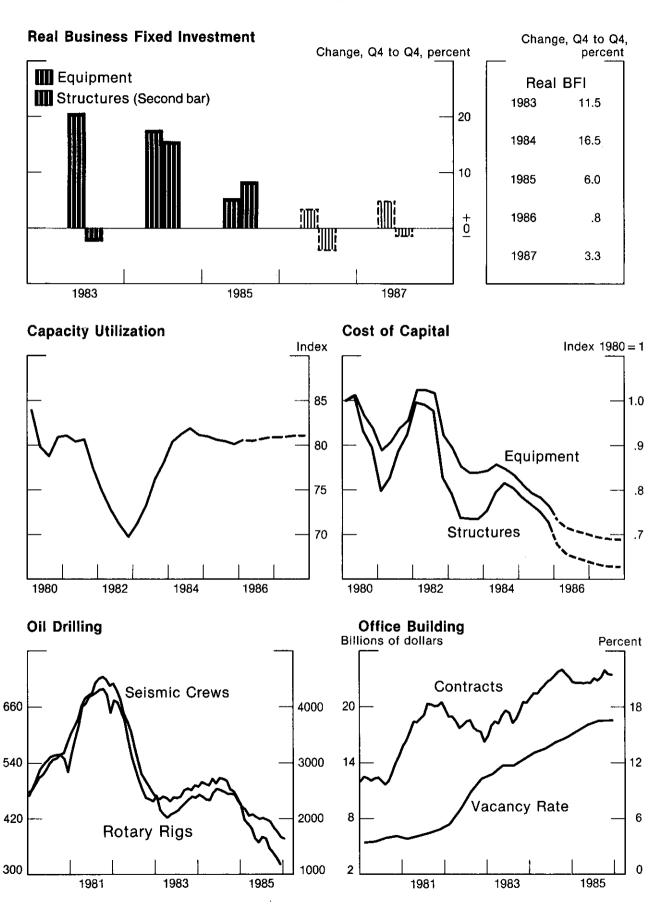


Loan/Value Greater Than 90%



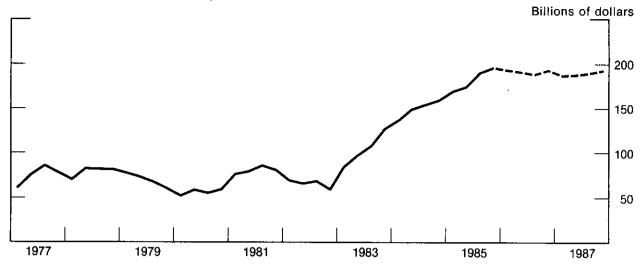
Rental Vacancy Rate



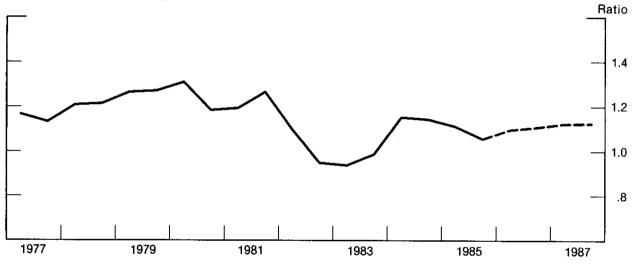


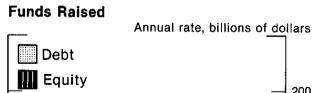
Nonfinancial Corporations

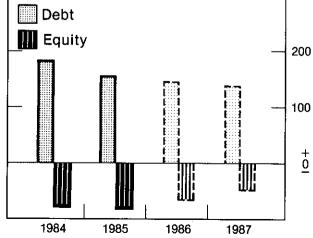
Profits After Tax (Economic)



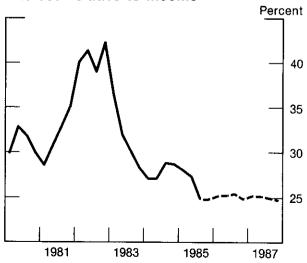
Ratio of Capital Outlays to Internal Funds



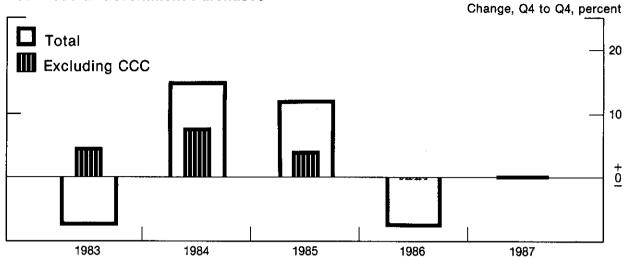




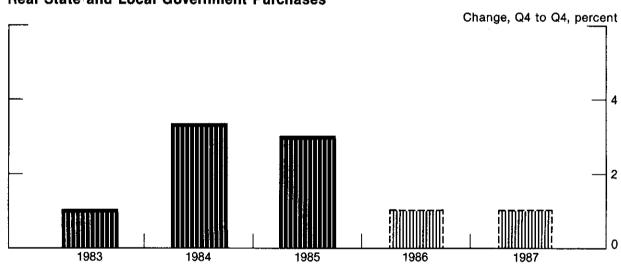




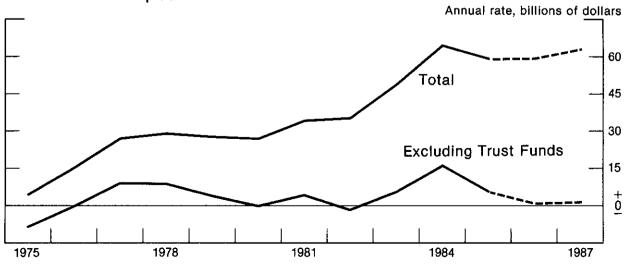




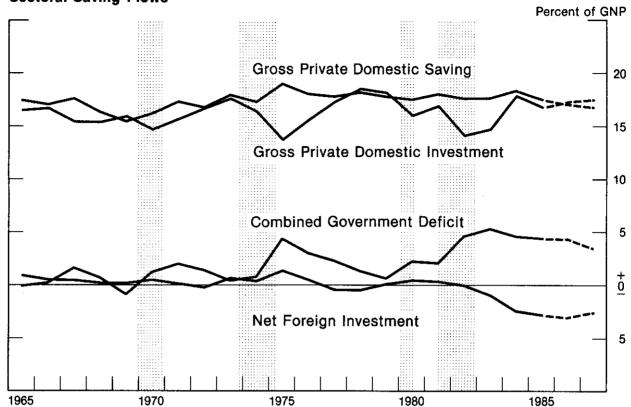
Real State and Local Government Purchases



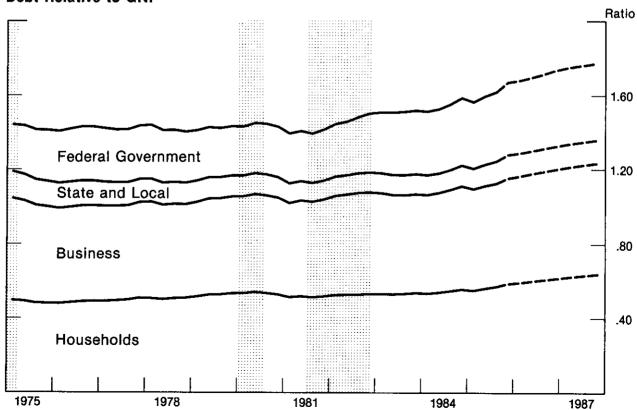
State and Local Surplus

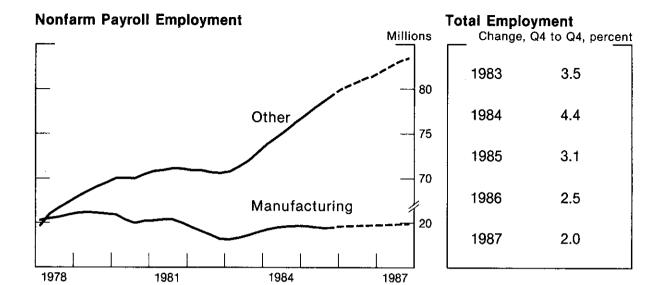




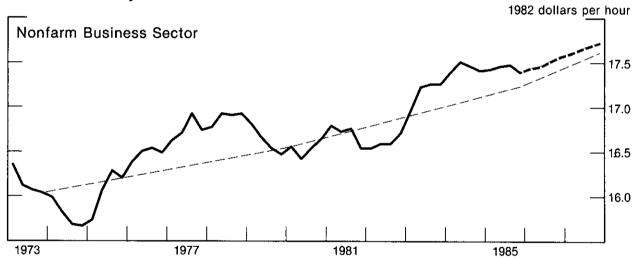


Debt Relative to GNP

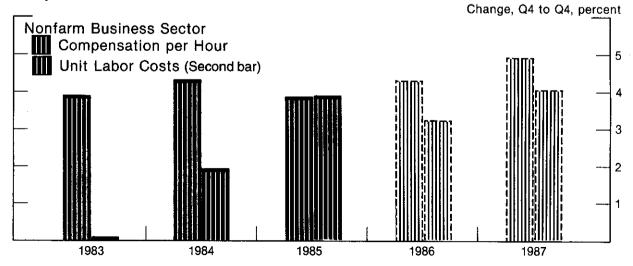




Labor Productivity

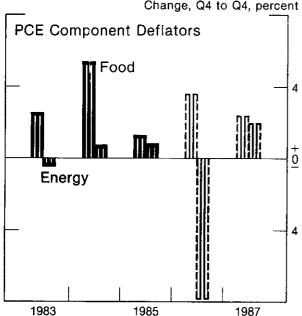


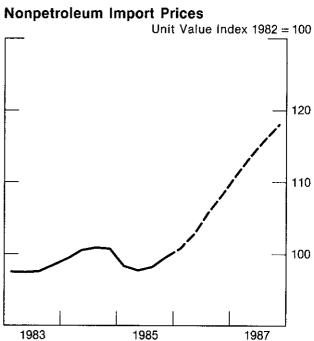




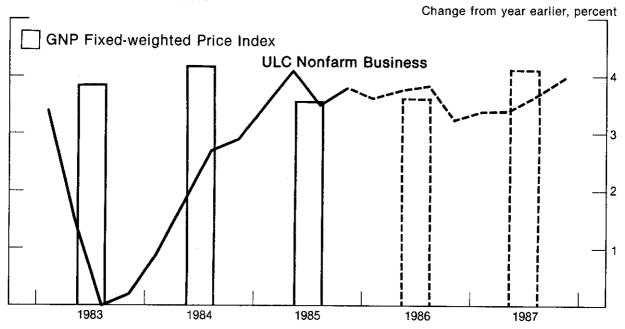
Food and Energy Prices

Change, Q4 to Q4, percent

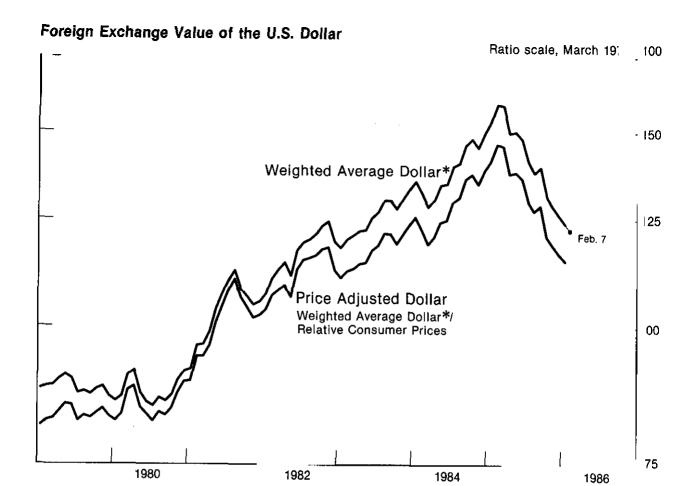


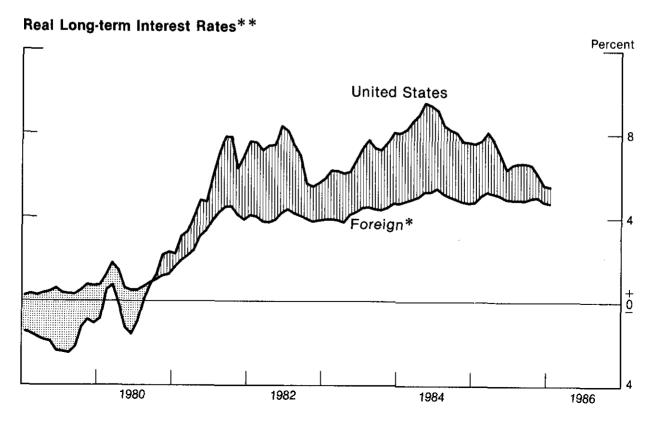


Prices and Unit Labor Costs



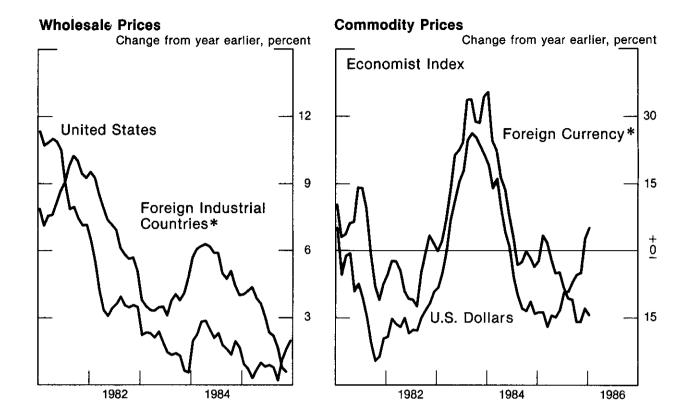
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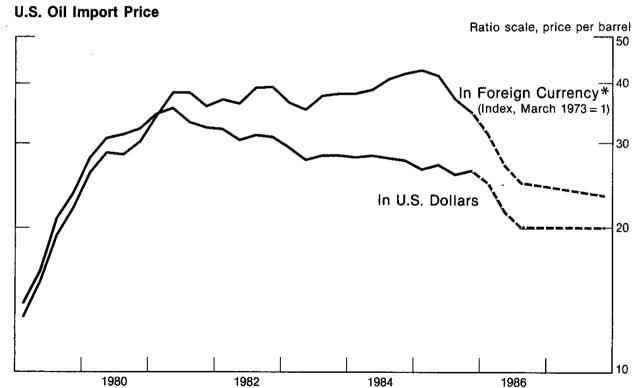




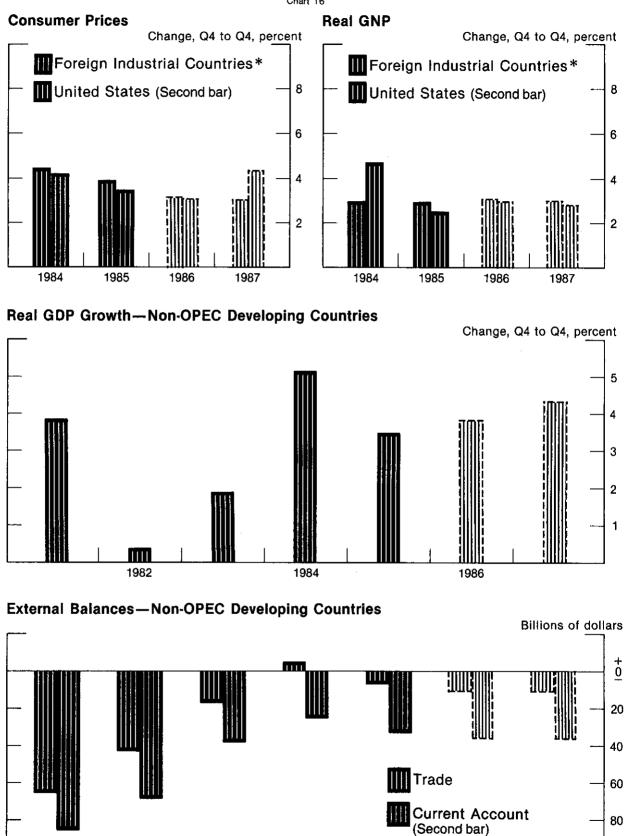
^{*}Weighted average against or of foreign G-10 countries using total 1972-76 average trade.

**Long-term government or public authority bond rates adjusted for expected inflation estimated by a 36-month centered moving average of actual inflation (staff forecasts where needed).





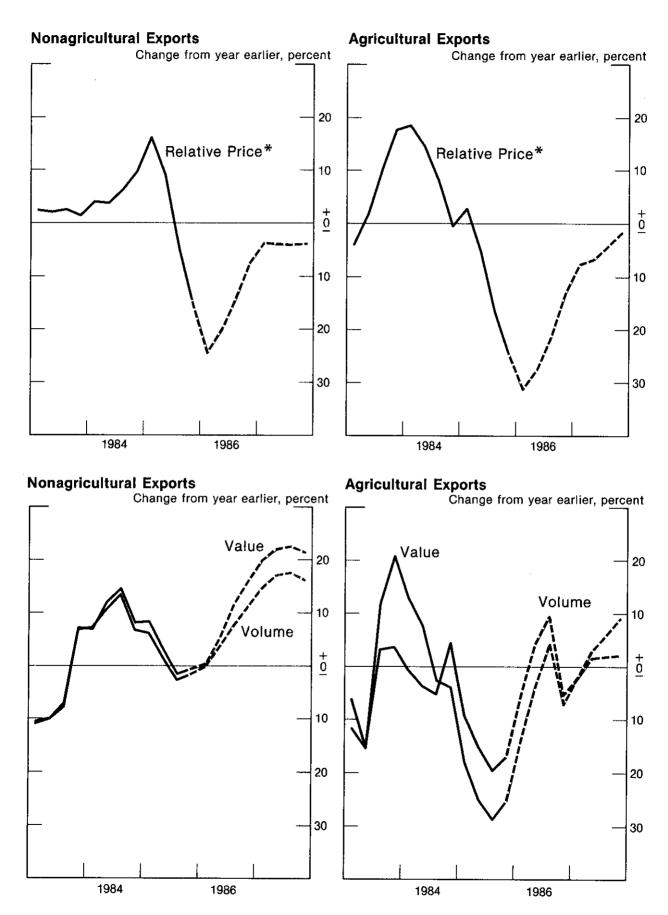
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1984

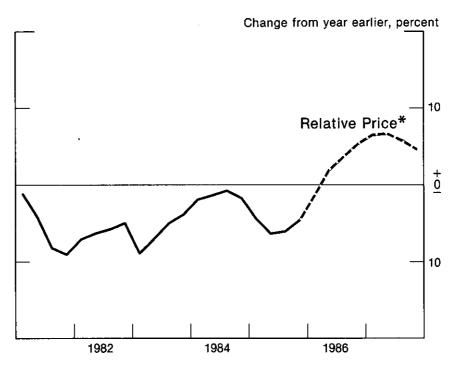
1986

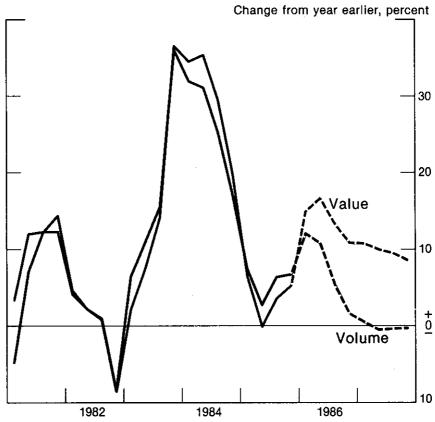
1982



^{*}Unit value divided by the average consumer price level in other G-10 countries expressed in U.S. dollars.

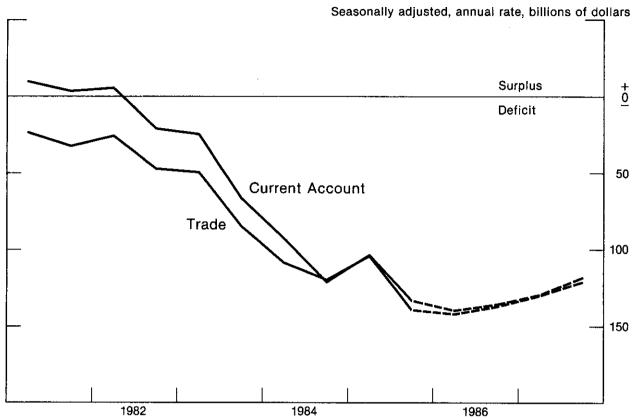
Non-oil Imports





^{*}Unit value divided by U.S. GNP fixed-weighted price index.

External Balances



Real Net Exports of Goods and Services



U.S. Capital Transactions

(Billions of Dollars; Net Inflows = +)

		1982	1983	1984	1985 ^e	1986 ^F
1. N	let Private and Official Capital Flows	- 24	29	77	88	104
2.	Private Capital Flows	- 17	30	82	98	100
3.	U.S. Banking Offices	- 45	19	23	33	33
4.	Bonds and Stocks	14	14	34	62	68
5.	Direct Investment and Other Non-Bank Flows	13	- 4	25	3	– 1
6.	U.S. and Foreign Official Transactions	-7	– 1	-5	– 10	4
7. S	tatistical Discrepancy	33	17	30	31	34
8. B	alance on Current Account	8	46	- 107	– 119	– 138

e Estimated

p Projected

Impact of Alternative Assumptions

		1986	1987	1988	
Change in Real GNP (%)				
Higher Money Grov	wth	11⁄4	1	1/2	
Lower Oil Prices		1/2	1/2	0	
Less Fiscal Restra	int	3/4	1/4	– 1	
Change in GNP Deflate	or (%	6)			
Higher Money Grov	wth	1/4	1	21/2	
Lower Oil Prices		- ½	− ½	0	
Less Fiscal Restra	int	0	1/2	1	
Unemployment Rate (C	4 le	vel, %)			
Higher Money Grov	wth	- 1/4	– 1	=	
Lower Oil Prices		0	- 1/4	- ½	
Less Fiscal Restra	int	0	– ½	- 1/4	
Higher Money Growth	=	M1 growth rate 1½% h forecast.	nigher than	staff	
Lower Oil Prices	=	Oil prices \$5 per barrel lower than staff forecast.			
Less Fiscal Restraint	=	No additional deficit-reducing actions beyond FY 1986 actions.			

Forecast Summary for 1986

	Board Members		Presiden	Staff	Adminis-	
Percent change, annual average	Range i	Median	Range	Median		
Nominal GNP	5 to 7	61⁄4	6 to 8½	71/4	61/2	8.0
Real GNP	2½ to 4	23/4	3 to 41/2	31/4	3	4.0
GNP Deflator	2½ to 4	31/4	3 to 4½	33/4	31/2	3.8
Average level, percent						
Unemployment Rate	6½ to 7	63/4	6½ to 7	63/4	61/2	6.7

FOMC Projections for 1986

Reported to Congress July 16, 1985						
	Range	Central Tendency				
Percent change, Q4 to Q4						
Nominal GNP	5½ to 8½	7 to 7½				
Real GNP	2 to 4	2½ to 3¼				
GNP Deflator	3 to 51/2	3¾ to 4¾				
Average level,Q4, percent						
Unemployment Rate	6¾ to 7½	6¾ to 7¼				
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